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Assistant Commissioner for Patents **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read as follows:

--APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ACCESS TO NETWORK VIA SATELLITE--.